

INDIA.—The members of the Famine Commission have nearly concluded their inquiries in Orissa, and will soon return to Calcutta. "It is said," remarks the *Times of India*, "they have found the result to have been under rather than over estimated, and that the total number of deaths from starvation amounted to about 1,500,000."

The papers give some particulars of an extraordinary secret society. "This new brotherhood are called *kakay* or *kireelee*, the former word meaning, we believe, a repeater or mumbler of prayers; and the latter a religious devotee. The origin of the society, which is now some four or five years old, is attributed to a carpenter, who resided in the neighbourhood of Loodianah; but who, it would appear, came originally from Umritsur. The sect are said to be deists; and, unlike our High Church party, do not recognise idols, pictures, or any objects of material worship. Christians, Mahometans, and Jews are not eligible for admission, which is confined to Sikhs and Hindoos of the lowest caste for the most part; though some Khalsa Sikhs of family and position are amongst the members. From all that we can learn, the sect is founded on the creed and principles of the 'Gooroo-grunth'; and the ceremony of admission is believing to consist in some oath of secrecy being administered, a drug or libation being also given, which is considered to seal the obligation. The members are also said to accept the condition of poverty as *fakirs*; but we believe that this is not absolutely necessary to qualify for admission. The sect is now believed to number about 1,000 or 1,500 members; but its adherents are fast increasing."

The *Bombay Gazette* reports the holding for the first time in Western India of a great fruit flower, and vegetable show. It was one of the most brilliant gatherings that Bombay has ever seen, and it is undoubtedly the forerunner of many more annual displays of a similar kind.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The first international anti-slavery conference ever held is to convene in Paris next June. Great Britain, France and Spain are the prime movers.

The latest rumour is that some adventurous members of English swimming clubs have determined to swim across the Channel on their way to the Paris Exhibition. They are to be accompanied by umpires in boats, and are to be furnished with planks to rest upon at stated intervals.

THE CATTLE DISEASE.—The marvellously infecting powers of the poison, be it of what kind it may, which is the origin of the cattle disease, has been strikingly shown at Islington. It broke out again in the same large dairy shed where it made its first appearance in this country—a few cows, one after another, quickly took it and died. The whole number, forty-seven, were then killed to prevent further mischief. On the closest scientific investigation, but one means of propagation from the former attack had been left. Every part of the sheds used for the cows had been cleansed with the most powerful disinfectants; but a part of one of the sheds had been repaved, and some of the bricks were taken from the floor of a shed, which had, in the former visitation, been used as an hospital, but not used for cows since. The first animal attacked stood on these bricks, and it would really appear that for so long a time could the poisonous quality remain in the bricks, and act fatally from such an inappreciable quantity. Our present ignorance is such that the slaughter of all cattle which could be infected by those diseased, and purification of places with the strongest disinfectants, such as carbonic acid, seems to be our only security.—*English paper.*

TREATY WITH MADAGASCAR.—The treaty of peace, friendship, and commerce between Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom, and Her Majesty Rasoheryna Manjaka, Queen of Madagascar, has been laid before Parliament. The treaty was signed on the 27th of June, 1865, at Antananarivo, and ratifications were exchanged on the 5th of July, 1866. Each Sovereign engages to receive an agent of the other, and to allow consuls to reside for the protection of trade. The trade between the two countries is to be perfectly free, subject to a tariff of duties not exceeding 10 per cent., but munitions of war are to be imported by the Queen of Madagascar alone, into her dominions, and timber and cows are forbidden by the laws of Madagascar to be exported. British subjects may occupy houses in Madagascar, and acquire property there; and if accused of crime are to be tried by the British consul. Disputes in Madagascar between British and Malagasy subjects are to be heard by the British consul, aided by an officer appointed by the Queen of Madagascar. British ships of war may freely enter the military ports of Madagascar and provide themselves with supplies; but no subject of the Queen of Madagascar is to be permitted to embark on board any British ship without a Malagasy passport. British subjects in Madagascar are to have full liberty of trade. They are to be allowed freely to exercise and teach the Christian religion. The Queen of Madagascar, from her friendship for her Britannic Majesty promises to grant full religious liberty to all her subjects and not to persecute or molest any subjects of Madagascar on account of their embracing or exercising the Christian religion; but should any of her subjects professing Christianity be found guilty of any criminal offence, the action of the law of the land is not to be interfered with. The Queen of Madagascar engages to abolish trial by the ordeal of poison. She engages to do all in her power to prevent traffic in slaves, and to prohibit her subjects from taking any share in such trade; and no persons from beyond seas are to be landed, purchased, or sold

as slaves in any part of Madagascar. British cruisers are to have the right of searching even in the waters of Madagascar Malagash or Arab vessels suspected of being engaged in the slave trade, and if proved to be so engaged they and their crews may be dealt with by the British cruisers as engaged in a piratical undertaking. If there should be any war between Great Britain and Madagascar, prisoners who may be taken are to be kept for exchange, and not on any account to be made slaves or put to death. The treaty binds the Queen of Madagascar to use all means in her power for the suppression of piracy, and to allow British cruisers to enter the ports and rivers in order to capture vessels engaged in piracy, and to seize and reserve for the judgment of the proper authorities all persons offending against the two contracting powers in this respect.—*London paper.*

THE EYRE PROSECUTION.—The Jamaica Committee has commenced legal proceedings against the alleged murderers of Mr. Gordon. On Wednesday, Mr. Stephens, barrister, applied to one of the London magistrates for warrants to arrest Colonel Nelson and Lieutenant Brand (who are in England) on the serious charge preferred against them, and he intimated that a similar application would be made against Mr. Eyre, so soon as that gentleman came within jurisdiction. Sir Thomas Henry (the magistrate) complied with the application. Mr. Fitzjames Stephens said there was "no wish to add any unnecessary severity to what the law required in the interest of public justice;" and, from a conversation which took place between the learned gentleman and the magistrate, there can be no doubt that on their apprehension the accused will be at once admitted to bail. During the week preceeding the sailing of the steamer much progress had been made.

Colonel Nelson and Lieut. Brand, R. N., have appeared in the dock at Bow street, as the preliminary to a future appearance, either at the Old Bailey or in the Court of Queen's Bench, to answer the charge preferred against them, for the part they took in the trial, conviction, and execution of Mr. Gordon as an accessory in the negro rebellion at Morant Bay. Their standing in the dock, however, was their own choice.—The chief magistrate told them they might have seats near their counsel but they preferred to stand in the dock. As the expense of the prosecution is defrayed by public subscriptions collected for the purpose by a committee composed chiefly of members of the Anti-Slavery Society, and the offence charged was committed by officers of the Crown engaged in the public service at the time, we are not surprised to find that the defence has been taken up by the Government. Mr. Eyre has not yet come or been brought into the police-court.—*Id.*

AN EXTENDED POPULARITY.—"Brown's Bronchial Troches" have been before the public many years. Each year finds them in new localities in various parts of the world. The Troches are pronounced universally superior to all other articles used for similar purposes. For relieving Coughs, Colds, and Throat Diseases, the Troches have been proved reliable.

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Marriages.

On the 25th Feb., at Windsor, Rev. P. Danaher, Mr. Joseph Della Torre, of London, G. B., to Annie, eldest daughter of Mr. John Collins, of Windsor.
On the 26th u. i., by the Rev. James Thomas, Mr. James Burns, of London, G. B., to Mrs. Emma Reynolds, of Halifax.
On Friday, 1st March, by the Rev. W. Maxwell, Mr. John Watson, of the firm of Donald, Watson and Co., to Elizabeth, relict of the late Capt. James Doble.

At Dartmouth, on Saturday, by the Rev. F. Pryor, Mr. Leander Mumford, to Miss Caroline M., youngest daughter of Mr. Wm. Leonard, of Dartmouth.

On the 27th inst., by the Rev. John Forrest, Mr. James Grant, of Musquodoboit, to Margaret Ann, daughter of Mr. William Logan, of Oldham.

On the 28th inst., by the Rev. Sulton Henning, of H. M. S. Duncan, assisted by the Rev. W. Maxwell, Edwin William Boulton, R. N., H. M. S. Duncan, to Jennette Edith, eldest daughter of James Gordon, Esq.

On Wednesday evening, 27th inst., by the Rev. J. Forrest, John H. Nisbet, to Emily E., eldest daughter of Mr. Danl. E. George.

By the Rev. D. Freeman, Nov. 22, 1866, at Scots Bay, George L. Jess, Esq., to Mary, fourth daughter of Abraham Ellis, Esq.

By the same, in Canning, Dec. 10, 1866, Mr. George Albert Bennett, to Miss Margaret Ann Pince, both of Cornwallis.

By the same, in Canning, Dec. 13, 1866, Mr. Alonso R. Palmer, to Miss Ach-ah S. Foote, both of Hall's Harbor.

By the same, in Brooklyn, Cornwallis, Dec. 19th 1866, Mr. Daniel Rogers Chute, of Clements to Miss Rebekah Minard.

At Digby Joggins, Jan. 2nd 1867, by Rev. L. B. Gates, Mr. Arthur Messenger, of Bridgetown, to Miss Mary J. Smith, of St. Mary's Bay.

At St. Mary's Bay, by the same, Feb. 13th 1867, Mr. G. E. Spittle, to Miss Elizabeth Grafton.

Deaths.

On Wednesday morning, Feb. 27th, Mr. Richard Howard, aged 68 years.

On Wednesday, 27 inst., Mr. William Dalton, aged 70 years.

On Saturday, 2nd inst., Robert Downs, aged 88 years.

At Gibraltar, on the 10th of January, Pamela E. Bedell, of Brooklyn, New York, aged 26 years, wife of Capt. Samuel J. Brookman, British barque Staffa, of Picton, Nova Scotia.

At Hill Grove, Digby County, Feb. 5th 1867, Mrs. Charles Bell, a worthy member of the Hill Grove Baptist Church.

On the 15th of Feb., at Cornwallis, Mrs. Aphie, widow of the late Duncan Reid, of Horton, in the 70th year of her age. She was a faithful member of the Second Baptist Church, at Horton. Her end was peaceful and triumphant. A funeral sermon was preached by the pastor, from, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."—*Presbyterian Witness please copy.*

In Perea, Nov. 1866, Mrs. Eliza Whalen, aged 52 years.

In Perea, Nov. 9th, Edgar H., son of Ephraim and Sophronia Hubbard, aged 17 months.

In the Port of Spain, Trinidad, March 14th 1866, by falling from the fore-top-gallant-yard to the deck, Jacob Tooker, aged 22. He was a member of the Baptist Church at Yarmouth, N. S., also of the Temperance Society of the Mariner's Temple Baptist Church, N. Y. He testified in his frequent letters to his parents, that he was always "happiest out on the sea, toiling and tugging to make them happy in their old age." He lived only two hours after the fall. In the absence of the Baptist minister, the Presbyterian minister kindly officiated at his funeral. He is lamented by his aged parents, and a large number of brothers, sisters and friends. But their loss is his gain.

In Perea, Dec. 30th, Harry, son of Hezekiah and Mary Crocker, aged 5 months.

In Canning, Jan. 29, 1867, Lizzie J., daughter of Ezekiel and Maria Harris, aged 22 months.

In Lower Perea, Feb. 9th, Miss Orinda A. Bishop, aged 17 years.

In Perea, Feb. 12, 1867, Caroline E., third child of Samuel and Christy McKee, aged 94 months.

In Greenwood Square, Aylesford, Feb. 27th, Mr. Isaac B. Spinney, aged 69 years, leaving a widow and 11 children to mourn the removal of a kind and affectionate husband and father. About 8 years ago Mr. S. became a member of the Baptist Church with which he walked to the close of his life. In sickness, and at the approach of his dissolution, he was resigned and steadfast.

On the 3rd inst., Ann Gahan, a native of Portlough, County Waterford, aged 50 years.

On Monday morning, 4th inst., Amy, infant daughter of Thomas and Agnes Foot, aged 2 months and 8 days.

At Yarmouth, on the 24th ult., after a tedious and painful illness, Jesse Shaw, Esq., formerly M. P. P. for the township of Yarmouth, in the 67th year of his age.

At the Poor's Asylum, March 3rd, Jesse Parker, (colored) aged 91 years.

At Sackville, March 2nd, Mary Ann, wife of Francis Webber, Esq., in the 53rd year of her age. Universally respected and deeply lamented by a large circle of relatives and friends. Her end was peace.

Shipping List.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

Arrived.

Tuesday, 26.—Brig America, McGregor, Boston; brigs. Ada, Card, hence for New York; Jane Bell, Acker, Cienfuegos; schrs. Maggie, Reddy, Portland; Volant, Ellis, Yarmouth; Linnet, Grawson, Tangier; Foam, Dexter, Liverpool; Sea Nymph, Buchanan, Liverpool.

Wednesday, 27.—Steamer Equator, Clark, Portland; brigs. Sophia, Sterling, Cienfuegos; J. Hatchford, Crowe, New York; schrs. Quickstep, Portland; Native, Foster, Port Medway; Anna, St. Domingo.

Thursday, 28.—R. M. S. China, Hockley, Boston, mail, &c.; schr. Margaret Ann, Stienam, returned from sea.

Friday, March, 1.—R. M. S. Asia, Macaulay, Liverpool, G. B.

Saturday, 2.—Brigs. Wild Hunter, Doyle, Cienfuegos; Atlantic, Mark, Nassau; brigs. Latina, Savage, Cienfuegos; Empress, Lassen, Cienfuegos.

Sunday, 3.—Brig. Elsie, Cienfuegos.

Monday, 4.—Brig. Ballasara, Wilson, Philadelphia, bound to Falmouth, G. B.—put in leaky.

Cleared.

Tuesday, 26.—Brig. Arab, Forest, Boston; schr. Mayflower, Innis, Boston.

Wednesday, 27.—Bargue Stag, Anderson, Mauritius.

Thursday, 28.—R. M. S. China, Hockley, Liverpool, G. B.; R. M. S. Alpha, Hunter, Bermuda and St. Thomas.

Friday, March 1.—R. M. S. Asia, Macaulay, Boston; brigs. Startled Fawn, McEachran, Kingston, Jamaica.

Saturday, 2.—Brigs. Falcon, Ingham, Trinidad; Havana; schrs. M. E. Pusacy, Huey, Shelburne; Linnet, Grawson, Tangier; Hector, Hackett, Philadelphia.

Monday, 4.—No clearances.

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